



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News

Weekly Egg Products Report

April 28, 2006

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending **28-Apr-06** average prices on Sales to volume buyers, Grade A large, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

	Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Combined Regional
This week	49.00	49.50	41.50	49.50	47.44
Last week	55.00	55.50	48.50	55.50	53.67

SELECTED CITIES DELIVERED STORE DOOR LARGE - 28-Apr-06:

New York 52-56 **Midwest** 44-52 **California** 84

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 24-Apr-06 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	120.2	414.1	148.9	181.3	213.5	1078.0	253.3	1331.3
% change PW	9	27	33	11	-6	15	-5	10

Breaking Stock 28-Apr-06 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	23-26	21-27 M 23-25
Checks & Undergrades	13-19 M 13-15	11-18 M 12-15

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending **22-Apr-06**. Lbs. in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
Current Week	1,303,271	32,803	11,908	6,248	2,974	4,415
Previous Week	1,258,534	31,603	12,109	5,887	2,883	4,438
Last Year	1,313,882	31,850	12,597	6,829	2,371	4,300
% Change PWK	4%	4%	-2%	6%	3%	0%
% Change LY	-1%	3%	-5%	-9%	25%	3%
To-Date 2006	20,253,865	501,251	188,896	102,360	45,785	69,231
To-Date 2005	20,284,063	483,931	198,744	106,604	44,385	70,337
% Change YTD	0%	4%	-5%	-4%	3%	-2%

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 42.49 **Previous Week:** 42.94 **Last Year:** 42.30

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 39.10 **Previous Week:** 39.41 **Last Year:** 39.03

In-Line Production (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include a limited amount of off-line source material)

	CASES BROKEN		LIQUID WHOLE	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	611,779	46.9%	16,683	50.9%
PREVIOUS WEEK	604,980	48.1%	16,329	51.7%
LAST YEAR	530,800	40.4%	14,379	45.1%

National Liquid Eggs - 28-Apr-06 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
WHOLE	56	17.5-21.75	20.66	-1.04
WHITES	14	27-27.75	27.21	-.01
YOLKS	7	32	32.00	

Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 30 to 32 cents fob, mostly 30 cents fob.

Frozen Egg Prices - 28-Apr-06 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot Eastern	Central	Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.) Eastern	South California ²
Whole	34-43 M 35-41	38-41 M 39-40	42-49	44-48
Blends ³	TOO FEW TO REPORT		-	-
Whites	34-46 M 34-42	40-46 M 40-42	45-52	45-48
Yolks ⁴				
Sugared	48-53 M 48-52	49-52	56-65	56-59
Salted	44-49 M 45-48	45-48	51-64	52-55

² f.o.b. shipping point

³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

⁴ minimum 43% solids0

National Dried Egg Prices - 28-Apr-06 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.35-1.54	1.35-1.45
YOLKS	1.20-1.50	1.25-1.30
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.70-3.00	2.80-2.95
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.15-1.35	1.25-1.35

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 22-Apr-2006

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada	Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered
This week 1,208	This week 160	This week 1,368
Last week 1,018	Last week 107	Last week 1,125
Last year 1,651	Last year 232	Last year 1,883
To Date 2006 19,174	To Date 2006 3,813	To Date 2006 22,987
To Date 2005 24,380	To Date 2005 4,673	To Date 2005 29,053

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 15-Apr-06

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	97	4	0	101
Last year /1	352	21	25	398
To date 2006/2	2,911	84	146	3,141
To date 2005	4,330	21	107	4,458

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 15-Apr-06

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	41	14	0	55
Last year /1	68	8	16	92
To date 2006/2	809	278	41	1,128
To date 2005	2,652	324	316	3,292

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 15-Apr-06

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	3,750	1,790	2,070	864	0	8,474
Last year /1	0	922	9,483	2,130	6,480	0	19,015
To date 2006/2	150	23,070	28,185	21,035	21,944	1,800	96,184
To date 2005	33	70,692	179,784	23,475	25,384	3,793	303,161

/1 Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

/2 Includes revisions to previous week(s).

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Chickens and Eggs Narrative - 28-Apr-06

Total All Layers on 01-Apr-06 totaled 350 million, up 2% from a year ago.
Rate of lay per day for all layers on 01-Apr-06 averaged 72.8 eggs per 100 layers, up 1% from a year ago.
Table/Commercial Egg Producing Layers on 01-Apr-06 = 291.6 million, up 2% from a year ago.
Rate of lay per day for table egg type on 01-Apr-06 averaged 72.8 eggs per 100 layers, up 1% from 01-Apr-05.
Egg Type Chicks Hatched during Mar-06 totaled 38.9 million, down 7% from Mar-05.
Eggs in Incubators totaled 35.8 million on 01-Apr-06, down 5% from a year ago.
Domestic Placement of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Future Hatchery Supply Flocks = 286,000 during Mar-06, down 9% from Mar-05.

For information on "Layers and Eggs" call Sharyn Lavendar at (202)720-3244, for "Chicks Hatched" call Jody Roberts at (202) 690-8632, office hours 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET.

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Cold Storage - stocks in all warehouses on 31-Mar-06
Frozen Eggs (Thousand pounds)

	Whites	Yolks	Whole & Mixed	Unclassified	Total
Current Month	3,064	1,451	13,296	3,029	20,840
Previous Month	3,025	1,602	16,396	3,365	24,388
Last year	2,845	828	12,108	2,767	18,548
% of Previous Month	101	91	81	90	85
% of Last Year	108	175	110	109	112